

# Tennessee Agricultural Enhancement Program



## 2021 Licensed Large Animal Veterinarian Equipment Application Application Period October 1 – 7, 2021

### Cost Share Information

% Large Animal (cattle, goats, and sheep only)	Cost Share	Maximum
10 – 30%	50%	\$2,500
30 – 49%	50%	\$4,000
50 – 100%	50%	\$5,000

### Application and Reimbursement Schedule

Program	Application Period	Anticipated Approval Announcement	Reimbursement Request Deadline
Veterinarian Equipment	October 1 – 7, 2021	Mid-December	April 1, 2022

### Basic Eligibility Requirements

- Applicant must be a Tennessee resident.
- Applicant must have a current Tennessee Veterinarian license (level 2 accreditation).
- Applicant must have an active practice located in Tennessee dealing with cattle, goats, and/or sheep. Percentage of large animal applies to the applicant, not the clinic. Only one application per clinic is allowed.
- Equipment purchased must be located in Tennessee.
- Applicant must have the ability and financial capacity to complete the project.

# Program Requirements

## Application

1. Applications must be submitted during the application period October 1 – 7, 2021 during the same period.
2. Applications will not be accepted if faxed or emailed.
3. Applications are ineligible if postmarked or received prior to October 1 and after October 7, 2021.
4. Applicant will be notified in writing of approval or disapproval.

## Reimbursement

1. Receipts/payments dated prior to October 1, 2021 are not eligible.
2. Receipts for in-kind services are not eligible (trade-in value is not eligible).
3. Only items listed as eligible will be considered for cost share assistance
4. Used equipment, used materials, and leased equipment are not eligible for cost share reimbursement unless otherwise noted.
5. Labor provided by the applicant is not eligible for cost share reimbursement. Reimbursement for labor cannot exceed 30% of the total reimbursement.
6. Applicant cannot be reimbursed for purchases from a business where applicant participates in ownership (producer cooperatives excluded).
7. Applicants cannot combine projects and submit more than one reimbursement for the same item.
8. Reimbursement documentation must be postmarked or hand delivered by the reimbursement request deadline. Additional processing time is required for incomplete reimbursement requests and requests submitted within one month of the program deadline. It is recommended you submit your reimbursement request as soon as your project is completed.
9. There can only be one reimbursement payment per program approval. Projects must be completed by reimbursement request deadline.

## Verification

1. Applicant must utilize equipment and structures reimbursed with cost share funds for the intended purpose of the program for a minimum of **five (5)** continuous years from date of purchase.
2. Site visits relating to the performance of the project before, during, and after completion may take place. Site visits may include verification of program eligibility to ensure applicants meet eligibility and minimum livestock/acreage requirements for chosen program(s).
3. Applicants may be required to repay funds if they fail to comply with all aspects of the cost share guidelines.
4. Providing any false, fraudulent, or misleading information may result in penalties and/or make the applicant's operation ineligible to participate in present and/or future Tennessee Department of Agriculture programs for a minimum of five years and may result in civil litigation or criminal prosecution.

## Tennessee Department of Agriculture may:

- Accept, modify, or reject any or all requests.
- Modify program criteria, approval, and payment processes.
- Provide partial funding for specific activity components that may be less than the full amount requested.
  - Require additional information from the applicant.
  - Deny payments for projects that do not meet requirements.

### TAEP Contact Information

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### APPLICANT INFORMATION

*Please Type or Print Clearly*

<b>Last Name:</b>	<b>First Name:</b>	<b>Middle:</b>	
<b>USDA (6 digit) Accreditation#:</b>			
<b>Name of Veterinary Clinic:</b>		<b>Tax ID# (SSN or EIN):</b>	
<b>Clinic Mailing Address:</b>	<b>City:</b>	<b>State:</b>	<b>Zip Code:</b>
<b>Clinic Physical Address:</b>	<b>City:</b>	<b>State:</b>	<b>Zip Code:</b>
<b>Clinic Phone#:</b>	<b>Secondary Phone#:</b>	<b>Clinic County:</b>	
<b>Email:</b>			

### Cost Share Information

% Large Animal* (cattle, goats, and sheep only)	COST SHARE	MAXIMUM
10 – 30%	50%	\$2,500
31 – 49%	50%	\$4,000
50 – 100%	50%	\$5,000

*\* Percentage applies to the applicant, not the clinic. Only one application per clinic is allowed.*

### Clinic Information

<b>What percentage of the applicant's work as a veterinarian involves large animal (cattle, goats, and sheep) ?</b>	
<b>What percentage of the clinic involves large animal (cattle, goats, and sheep) ?</b>	

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## ELIGIBLE ITEMS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Head gate*</li> <li>➤ Squeeze chute* (<i>carriage also eligible</i>)</li> <li>➤ Palpation cage*</li> <li>➤ Alleyway*</li> <li>➤ Loading chute*</li> <li>➤ Crowding tub*</li> <li>➤ Corral Panels*</li> <li>➤ Large animal scale</li> <li>➤ Gates - interior use only; <i>must be installed at time of reimbursement</i></li> <li>➤ Cow lift – <i>to humanely move non-ambulatory animals</i></li> <li>➤ Calving Aids – <i>devices used to assist in delivery</i></li> <li>➤ Radio frequency readers – <i>must be capable of reading animal identification approved by USDA</i></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Electro ejaculator and leads</li> <li>➤ Semen collection device and holder</li> <li>➤ Microscope</li> <li>➤ Warming stage for cold weather</li> <li>➤ Ultrasound and accessories – <i>must be at least 50% large animal (cattle, goats, and sheep)</i></li> <li>➤ Equipment for small ruminant artificial insemination – <i>examples include, but are not limited to, laparoscope, endoscope, cradle, and semen tank</i></li> <li>➤ Mobile veterinary unit inserts</li> <li>➤ Portable lab equipment for on farm testing – <i>must be at least 50% large animal (cattle, goats, and sheep)</i></li> </ul> |
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- \*Items with an asterisk (\*) can be purchased used*

## APPLICANT AGREEMENT

- *I certify all the information on this application is complete, true, and factual to the best of my knowledge and belief.*
- *I understand providing any false, fraudulent, or misleading information may result in penalties and/or make this farm/tract ineligible to participate in present and/or future Tennessee Department of Agriculture programs.*
- *I have reviewed and understand all of the guidelines in this application.*

**Veterinarian Signature:**

**Date:**

## APPLICATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 7, 2021

- Review each application section for completeness.
- Faxes and emails are not accepted.
- It is recommended to make a copy and mail the original using a traceable method of delivery.
- Applications must be postmarked October 1-7, 2021.
- Applicant will be notified in writing of approval or denial of application.

**Mail to:**

**TN Department of Agriculture  
TAEP – Veterinarian Cost Share  
P.O. Box 40627  
Nashville, TN 37204**

## TAEP CONTACT INFORMATION

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